

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.115  
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chamber 26 and with an O-ring seal 27 for compensation as shown in figure 4.".

In the claims:

Claim 1. (amended) Device for manufacturing containers, [in particular bottles,] made of a thermoplastic by blow molding or stretch-blow molding of a preheated preform, the said device including at least one mold (1) consisting of two half-molds (2) respectively supported by two mold carriers (3) which are made in the form of enveloping structures and which can move one with respect to the other, characterized in that each half-mold (2) comprises a shell holder (9) supported by the respective mold carrier (3) and a shell (7) which is provided with a half-impression (8) of the container to be obtained and which can be removably fastened to its shell holder (9) by quick-fixing means (19-23), the shell (7) and the shell holder (9) being in complementary shapes in order to be in at least partial mutual thermal-conduction contact while the pipes and connections for the circulation of cooling and/or heating fluids (11, 12) are provided exclusively in the shell holder.

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Claim 10. (amended) Device according to Claim 9, in which the mold carriers are rotationally pivoted with respect to each other in order to form a "jackknife"-type mold, characterized in that whereby at least one stop is located on the pivot (4) side of the